

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Mr. Aaron Butler
United Association of Journeymen
and Apprentices of the Plumbing and
Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada Local 469
3109 North 24th Street
Phoenix, AZ 85016-7399

**RE: MUR 7041** 

Dear Mr. Butler:

This Office previously notified you, in your individual and official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint involving United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada Local 469 Federal Political Action Committee (C00583344). This correspondence serves as notice that the complaint filed with the Federal Election Commission also indicates that the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada Local 469 may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"). A copy of the complaint is enclosed. We have numbered this matter as MUR 7041. Please refer to this number in all future correspondence.

The Act affords you the opportunity to demonstrate in writing that no action should be taken against United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada Local 469 in this matter. If you wish to file a response, you may submit any factual or legal materials that you believe are relevant to the Commission's consideration of this matter. Where appropriate, statements should be submitted under oath by persons with relevant knowledge. Your response, which should be addressed to the General Counsel's Office, must be submitted within 15 days of receipt of this letter. If no response is received within 15 days, the Commission may take further action based on the available information.

This matter will remain confidential in accordance with 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(4)(B) and § 30109(a)(12)(A) unless you notify the Commission in writing that you wish the matter to be made public. Please be advised that, although the Commission cannot disclose information regarding an investigation to the public, it may share information on a confidential basis with other law enforcement agencies. <sup>1</sup>

The Commission has the statutory authority to refer knowing and willful violations of the Act to the Department of Justice for potential criminal prosecution, 52 U.S.C. § 30109(a)(5)(C), and to report information regarding violations of law not within its jurisdiction to appropriate law enforcement authorities. *Id.* § 30107(a)(9).

If you intend to be represented by counsel in this matter, please advise the Commission by completing the enclosed form stating the name, address and telephone number of such counsel, and authorizing such counsel to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission. Please note that you have a legal obligation to preserve all documents, records and materials relating to the subject matter of the complaint until such time as you are notified that the Commission has closed its file in this matter. See 18 U.S.C. § 1519.

Any correspondence sent to the Commission must be addressed to one of the following (note, if submitting via email, this Office will provide an electronic receipt by email):

Mail OR
Federal Election Commission
Office of Complaints Examination & Legal Administration
Attn: Anita M. Bailey, Paralegal
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20436

Email drawls@fec.gov & jjordan@fec.gov

If you have any questions, please contact Donna Rawls at (202) 694-1650 or toll free at (800) 424-9530. For your information, we have enclosed a brief description of the Commission's preliminary procedures for processing submissions such as this.

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